

# CFI THE CENTER FOR FOOD INTEGRITY

### Science, Values and Trust Building Public Support for Today's Aquaculture

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# Freedom to Operate

# Social License

# **Social License**



**Definition:** The privilege of operating with minimal formalized restrictions (legislation, regulation, or market requirements) based on maintaining public trust by doing what's right.

**Public Trust:** A belief that activities are consistent with social expectations and the values of the community and other stakeholders.

# The Social License To Operate



Flexible Responsive Lower Cost		Rigid Bureaucratic Higher Cost
Social License		Social Control
<ul> <li>Ethics</li> </ul>		<ul> <li>Regulation</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Values</li> </ul>	Tipping	<ul> <li>Legislation</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Expectations</li> </ul>	Point Single triggering event	<ul> <li>Litigation</li> </ul>

• Self regulation

Cumulative impact

Compliance

### **Fish Farms**





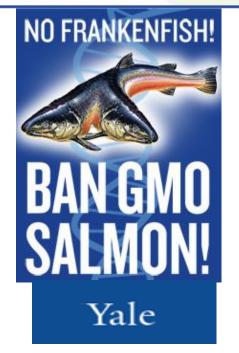
# **GM Salmon**





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GENETICALLY MODIFIED SALMON

The Fishy Risk the FDA Is Taking with Your Health

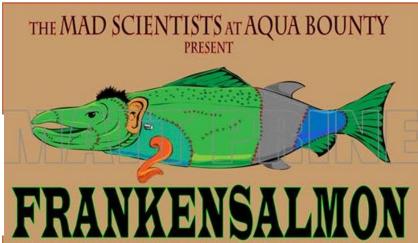
Grocers Reject Genetically Modified Salmon



Whole Foods, Trader Joe's ban GMO salmon

18 APR 2013: OPINION

As Final U.S. Decision Nears, A Lively Debate on GM Salmon Frankenfish: Genetically engineered salmon close to FDA approval



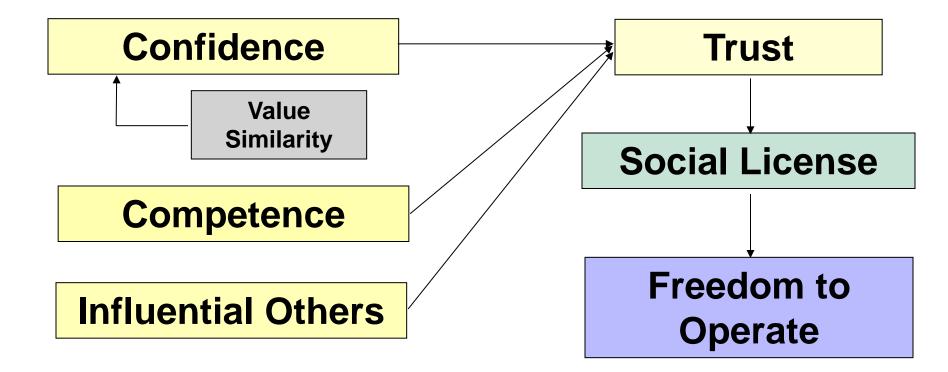
# Earning and Maintaining the Social License

(Sapp/CMA)

# **Social License Freedom to Operate**

# Trust

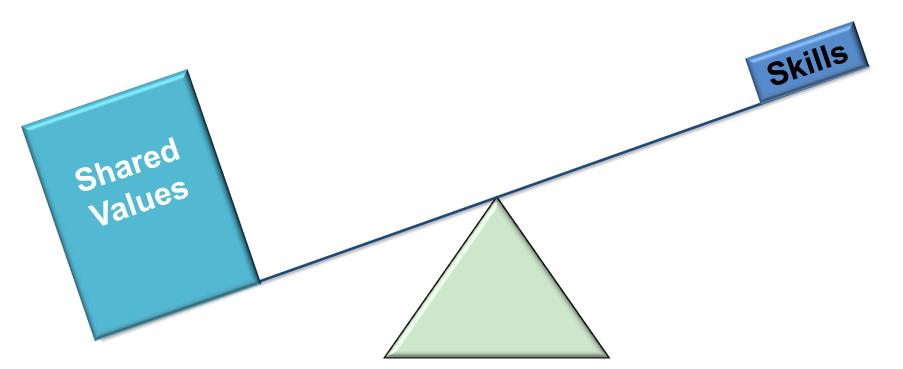
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Trust research was published in December, 2009 – Journal of Rural Sociology

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# Shared values are 3-5X more important in building trust than demonstrating competence

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# "They don't care how much you know until they know how much you care." - Theodore Roosevelt



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# Values and Ethics in Our Science Based Culture

Why we struggle building trust even though we care and are committed to doing the right thing

Questions of Values and Ethics Kohlberg's Moral Hierarchy





Lawrence Kohlberg, 1927-1987

### **Three Levels – Six Stages**

- 1. Pre- Conventional
  - Direct impact on me
- 2. Conventional
  - Societal expectations
- 3. Post-Conventional
  - Principle driven

## Questions of Values and Ethics Kohlberg's Moral Hierarchy



Post Conventional Principle driven

**Conventional** 

Societal expectations

**Pre-Conventional** Direct impact on me

Universal ethical principle orientation	We have an ethical obligation to produce safe food responsibly, and to respect our employees, the environment, our customers and	
orientation	our communities	
The "law & order" orientation	We comply with all food safety, environmental and employment	
The "good boy / nice girl" orientation	laws and regulations	
Personal rewards orientation	We take care of the water, land animals because that	
Punishment-Obedience	generates the best ROI	
	<ul> <li>principle orientation</li> <li>Social contract orientation</li> <li>The "law &amp; order" orientation</li> <li>The "good boy / nice girl" orientation</li> <li>Personal rewards orientation</li> </ul>	

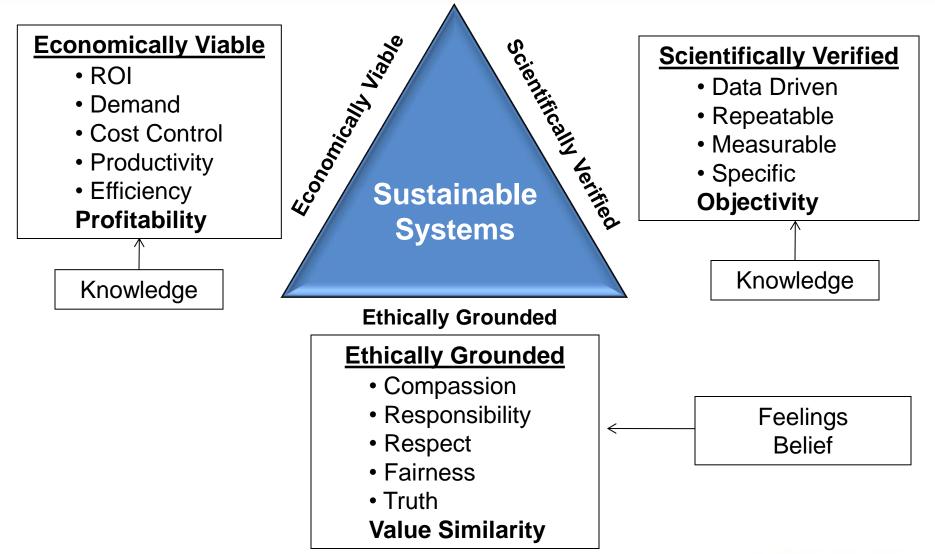
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<b>Post Conventional</b> Principle driven	Universal ethical principle orientation Social contract orientation	NGOs
<b>Conventional</b> Societal expectations	The "law & order" orientation The "good boy / nice girl" orientation	
<b>Pre-Conventional</b> Direct impact on me	Personal rewards orientation Punishment-Obedience	Business

# **Sustainable Balance**







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# Brands as Agents of Social Change

NGOs have discovered that they can accomplish their objectives more quickly through the market than through legislation or regulation

# **Regulation vs. Market Pressure**





*"We can dance with you or dance on you"* 

*"Discovering brands was like discovering gunpowder"* 



"We attack the weakest link in the company's value chain." <sub>Kert Davies,</sub> Director of Research, Greenpeace



# **Global Brands**





Wal-Mart has 1.8 million associates in 6,500 stores in 15 countries serving 176 million customers each week. McDonald's has 30,000 local restaurants serving 50 million people each day in 119 countries.



# **GM** Campaign





#### **Petition to Walmart:**

As a consumer, I refuse to purchase Monsanto's new genetically engineered sweet corn and urge you to protect your customers by committing to not sell Monsanto's GE sweet corn by April 1, 2012.





Top Five US Retailers Now Sell More Than Half of All Food and the Top Ten Companies Sell More Than 75%



Ranking	Company	Number Corporate/ Franchise Stores	Sales in \$ Billons
1	Wal-Mart	2,981	232.9
2	Kroger Cor y	4,276	66.6
3	Costco V lesa orpor	458	59.0
4	Safewa	767	40.5
5	Superva	567	37.0
6	Ahold Us	827	24.0
7	Publix Super prkets	885	21.7
8	C&S Wholesale	0	19.4
9	Delhaize America	1,544	17.3
10	7-Eleven	6,013	15.0

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# **Mainstream Appeal**



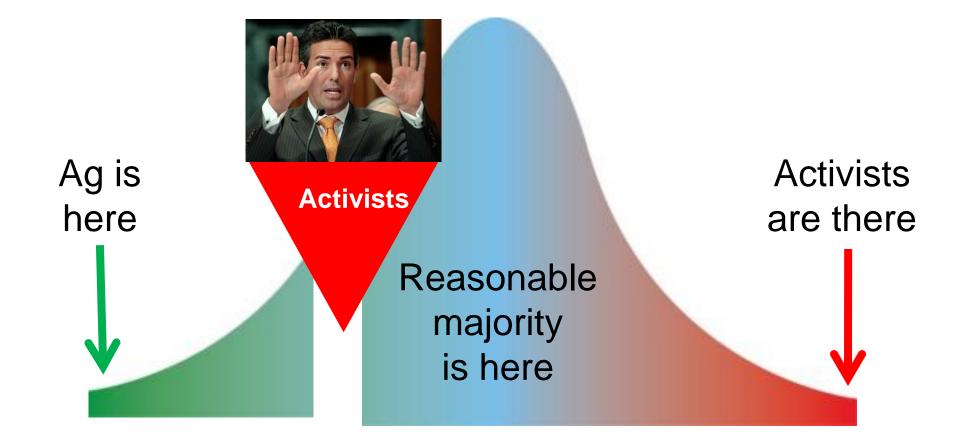
*"We're not telling people to become vegetarians – we're urging them to exhibit greater decency."* 

-Wayne Pacelle, Nov. 2008, Sacramento Bee



# Driving a Wedge







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# **2012 Consumer Research**



# Consumer Concerns About Life and Current Events



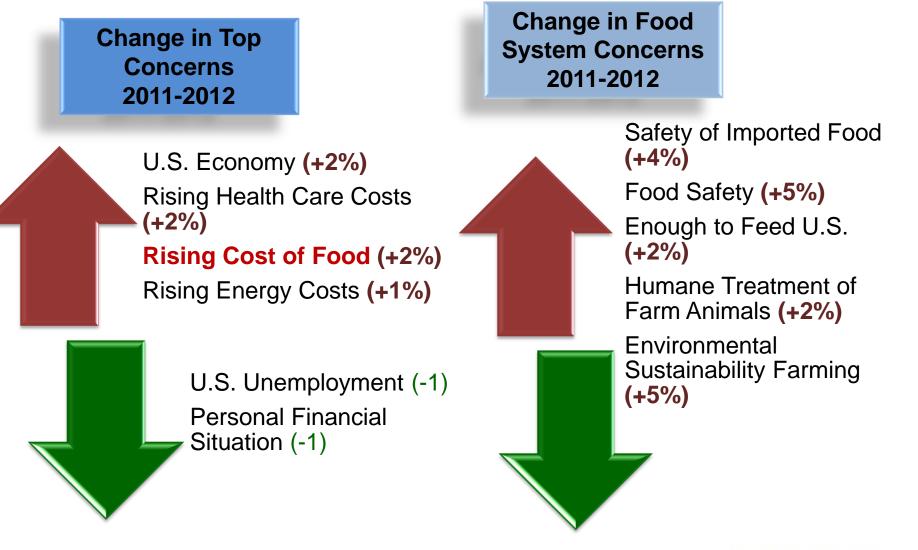
#### 6 out of 7 Most Concerning Life Issues are Beyond the Consumer's Direct Control



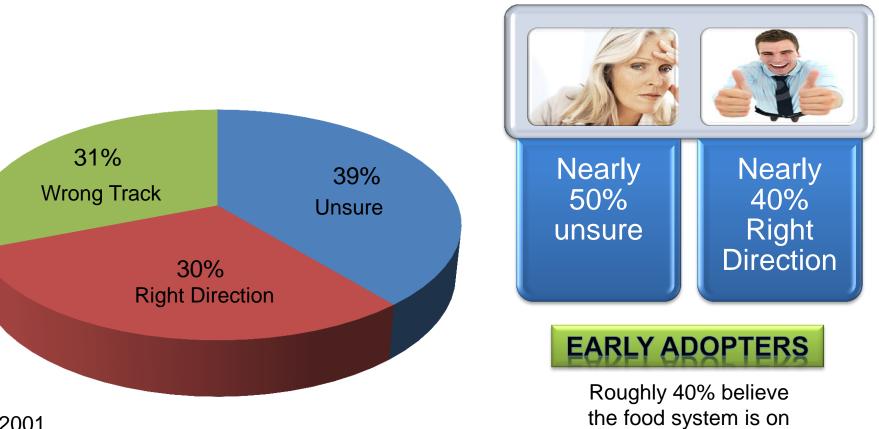


Levels of Concern About the Food System are Growing Faster than Other Concerns





# Food System Right Direction/Wrong Track



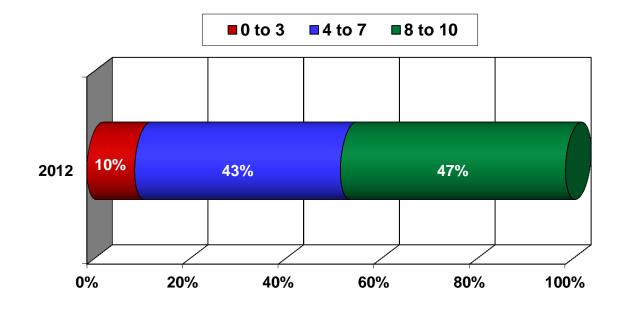
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the wrong track

# "Corporate America Tends to Ignore the Needs of the Average Citizen."

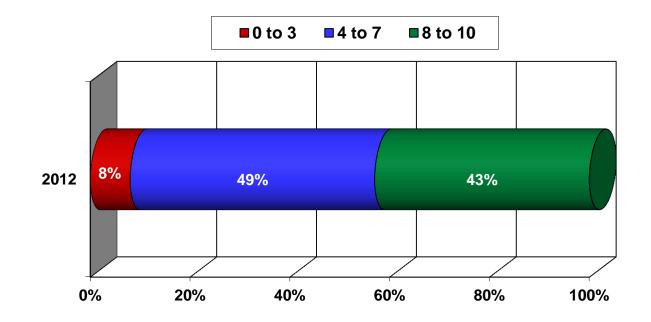






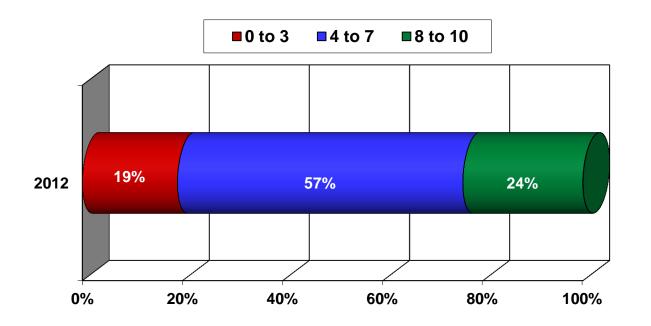
## "Commercial Farms are Likely to Put Their Interests Ahead of My Interests."





#### 2012 Mean 6.86

# "Family Farms are Likely to Put Their Interests Ahead of My Interests."



2012 Mean 5.60



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# Transparency No Longer Optional

Someone is watching everything you do all the time



# **Social Media Explosion**

- Today, roughly two billion people are connected to the internet
- 2015 80 percent of the global population will have a personal mobile device that can be both a receiver and transmitter
- We send 2.9 million emails every second
- Upload 20 hours of video to YouTube every minute
- Send 50 million Tweets a day
- Spend 700 billion minutes on Facebook every month
- If Facebook were a country, its 845 million users would make it the third largest on the planet behind China and India
- Social media now accounts for nearly 25% of time spent online

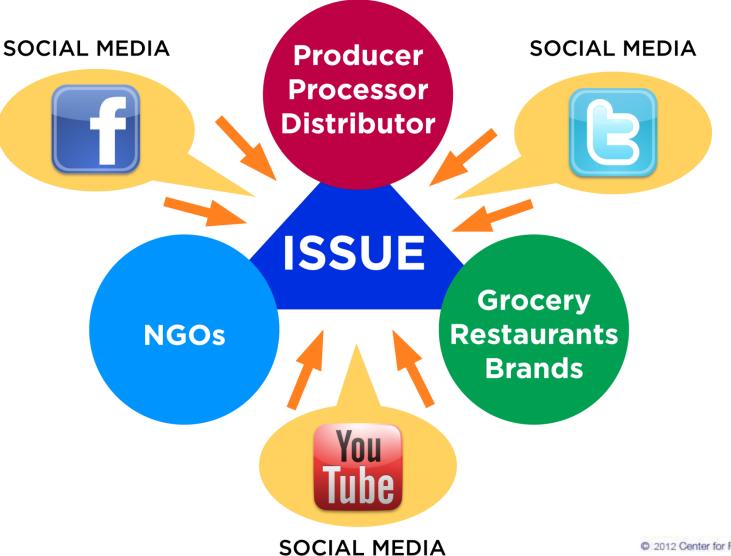


- Employees, consumers, customers, bloggers, social media food communities, NGOs and others can all directly influence the public conversation about aquaculture at the speed of Twitter.
- The question is no longer, "will you be transparent?" but "how will you manage your farm and your reputation in an age of radical transparency?"

# **Today's Integrated System**

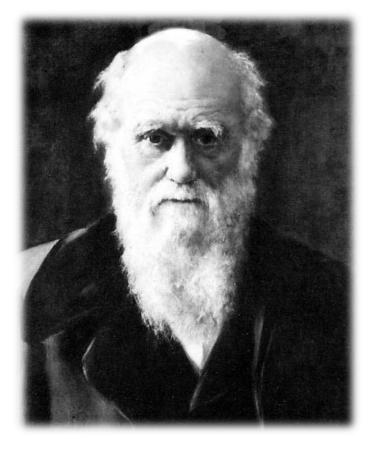


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### **Times Have Changed**



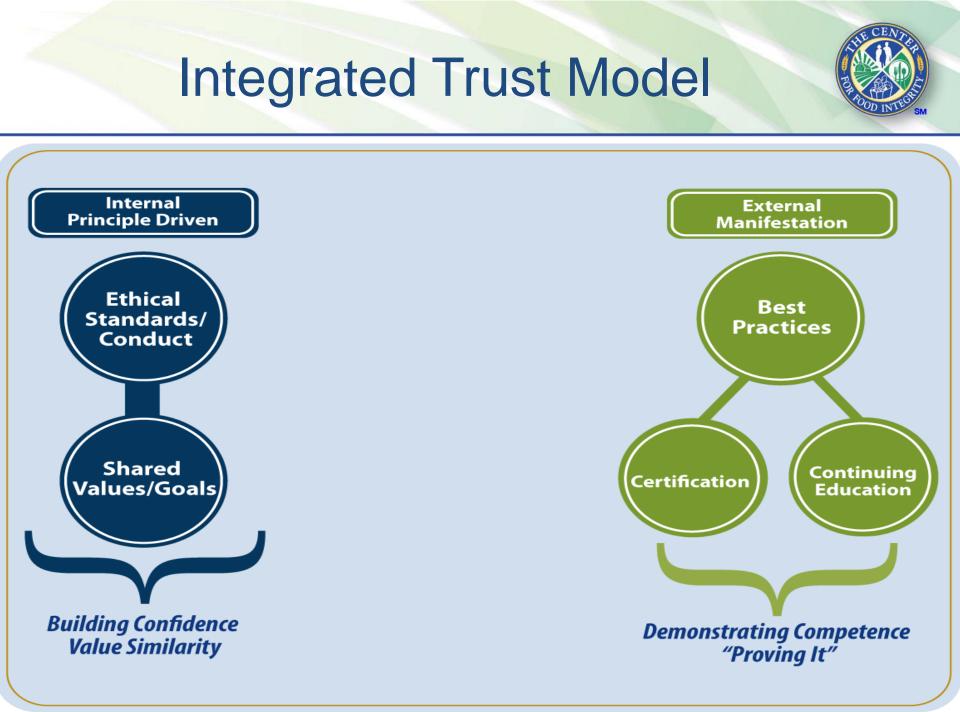


"It is not the strongest species that survive, nor the most intelligent, but the ones who are most responsive to change." - Charles Darwin



# **Integrated Trust Model**





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